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Ms. Beth Waldman
Acting Deputy Commissioner
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Division of Medical Assistance
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Dear Ms. Waldman:

We are pleased to inform you that your State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) State plan amendment submitted April 8, 2003, with additional information submitted May 5, 2003, has been approved. This amendment increases premiums in MassHealth Family Assistance and implements premiums for families determined presumptively eligible for MassHealth Family Assistance and MassHealth CommonHealth enrollees.

Your title XXI project officer is Mr. Maurice (Moe) Gagnon. He is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other SCHIP-related issues. Mr. Gagnon's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to the project officer and to Mr. Bruce Greenstein, Associate Regional Administrator in our Boston Regional Office. Mr. Greenstein's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Mr. Richard Fenton, Acting Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations at (410) 786-5647. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Scully

cc: CMS Region I Office